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SUBJECT: LIBERTY BELL GARDEN BICENTENNIAL PROJECT

REF: STATE 001676

1. MAYOR KOLLEK'S OFFICE HAS CALLED TO INVITE YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN A CEREMONY AT THE LIBERTY BELL GARDEN IN JERUSALEM ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 13 AT 1:45 PM. THIS IS SCHEDULED AS THE FIRST OFFICIAL ISRAELI ACT IN THE BICENTENNIAL YEAR AND WILL INVOLVE A TREE-PLANTING IN THE GARDEN. KOLLEK WILL BE THERE AND PRIME MINISTER RABIN IS ALSO EXPECTED TO ATTEND. A SPECIAL TELEPHONE HOOKUP IS BEING ARRANGED SO THAT THEY CAN AMPLIFY A CONVERSATION WITH THE MAYOR OF PHILADELPHIA.

2. COMMENT: A BOND DRIVE WILL COINCIDENTALLY BE GOING ON AT THE SAME TIME AMONG JEWISH LEADERS AND, ALTHOUGH NOT EXPLICITLY STATED, THIS MIGHT BE GROUND INTO THE TREE-PLANTING CEREMONY. HOWEVER, ON BALANCE THE CEREMONY COULD BE A SUITABLE OCCASION FOR YOU TO BEGIN YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE BICENTENNIAL YEAR HERE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE MAYOR WOULD BE PLEASED TO HAVE YOU SAY A FEW WORDS BUT THAT THIS IS NOT A REQUIREMENT. PLEASE ADVISE IF YOU WISH US TO ACCEPT THIS FOR YOU.

3. NOTE: IN ANSWER TO QUERY FROM SENATOR PERCEY'S OFFICE IN REFTL, LIBERTY BELL ITSELF IS IN WEST JERUSALEM.

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